

Mitigating Oscillations

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Low Frequency Oscillations

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Synchrophasor-Based Wide Area Oscillations Damping Controller



Improved Damping of Target Inter-area/Intra-area Oscillations Mode
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Application of Synchrophasor Technology in Closed Loop Wide Area Control



WADC Case Studies



- Study using planning models
- Two dominant modes
- 'West-North' mode
- 'West-South' mode
- Actuators: Marcy STATCOM and Niagara generators



- 2017 event replicated in simulations
- WADC design
- Actuators: 2 synchronous condensers in South Italy
- Input: South-North frequency difference



WADC Hardware-In-the-Loop Implementation



Investigate Controller Performance Under Realistic Operating Conditions



WADC Hardware-In-the-Loop Setup



- Grid Model in Digital Simulator Format
 - RTDS RSCAD
 - OPAL-RT ePHASORSIM
- Comparison with Offline
 Simulations

Controller Implementation



- Hardware: National Instrument's CompactRIO
- PMU Data Receiver: IEEE C37.118
- WADC Structure
- D/A Converter
- Visualization GUI



Hardware Implementation of WADC

Basic	
modules	

Advanced modules

	Block name	Function
1	PMU data receiver	Unpack PMU data package complying with C37.118
2	Lead-lag structure	Basic control function
3	D/A conversion	Convert digital signal to analog signal
4	GPS module	Capture absolute timestamp
5	Delay detector	Estimate the time delay
6	Delay compensator	Eliminate impact of time delay
7	Supervisory control	Switch PMU channel, enable/disable controller
8	Oscillation detector	Disable controller if no oscillation



WADC with Backup PMU Channels and Backup Actuators

- Distributed control structure with multiple PMUs and multiple actuators
 - Multiple actuators in case of actuator out-of-service
 - Supervisory control:
 - Central: Select actuators
 - Local: Switch to local PMU in case of loss of remote PMUs





Forced Oscillations Mitigation

- Forced Oscillation Source Location
- Use of Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS) and/or IBRs to suppress magnitude of forced oscillations
 - If source cannot be located quickly, activate control to reduce forced oscillation energy
 - Allow sufficient time to locate source

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Forced Oscillation Mitigation Using BESS

Controller

- Input: Frequency deviation of a HV bus close to the BESS
- Output: Added to Paux to modulate the active current command
- Forced oscillation detector
- Droop control
- WECC BESS model used
 Active power control of the BESS electrical control model

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Replication of El January 2019 Forced Oscillation Event

Fast valving feature of the TGOV3 model used to replicate the event
Initiate fast valve every 4 seconds







Simulation Results

- Source location: Florida
- BESS location: Florida



No Control

With Control (1×409MW BESS in Florida)

With Control (12×35MW BESSs in Florida)



Sub-Synchronous Oscillations due to Inverter Controls

- Inverter controls might create sub-synchronous oscillations due to control interactions and/or network resonance
- Such oscillations are usually in the frequency band of 5.0-15.0 Hz

California

GB August 2019 Event







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PV Plant – ~7 Hz Oscillation



PMU Emulator, A Tool to Investigate Impact of PMU Signal Processing

• PMU Emulator provides "simulated Synchrophasors" by applying PMU signal processing model to phasors and timedomain signals from dynamic and EMT simulation tools





PMU Limitations in Monitoring Fast Dynamics in Low Inertia Systems

 Signal processing within a PMU might compromise the accuracy of the monitored oscillations



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